

Bryan Morning Eagle

FOURTEENTH YEAR

BRYAN, TEXAS WEDNESDAY MORNING DECEMBER 30, 1908.

NUMBER 119

**ALL
MEN'S
CLOTHING,
Overcoats,
Boys'**

Clothing

**MENS'
TROUSERS**

**Ladies'
Wraps**

--- and ---

**Furs,
33¹/₃ Per
Cent
Off!**

:: ALL ::

**Dress Goods
Silks,
Staples,
Shoes
--- and ---
Notions
Less**

**20 Per Cent
No tickets made
during this sale**

**A. J. Wagner
& CO.**

Holiday Delicacies

Howell & Newton

MIGHTY WAVE.

**It Is Thirty-Five Feet High at
One Coast City.**

Rome, Dec. 29.—The configuration of the Straits of Messina has been materially altered. The tidal wave that completed the destructive work of the earthquake was thirty-two feet high.

It is reported from Catania that the bishop of Messina was buried under the ruins of his residence. Signor Fulci, a member of the chamber of deputies from Messina, together with members of his family, are also reported dead. The dome of the cathedral at Catania collapsed and other churches as well as the city hall threaten to fall at any moment.

The tidal wave sank numberless small boats in the harbor of Catania. At Riposto the tidal wave was thirty-five feet high. It swept in with appalling power and lasted forty-two seconds.

DETERMINED TO DIE.

**Prevented From Slashing His Throat
He Swallows Carbolic Acid.**

East McKeesport, Pa., Dec. 29.—Out of work and despondent, Arthur Riling endeavored to cut his throat with a razor. Prevented by members of his family the young man went to a nearby drug store, where he secured a bottle of carbolic acid. Returning home Riling held up the bottle and exclaimed: "Well, here goes this time; all right!"

Before anyone could interfere he had swallowed the acid. Dr. J. C. Hartman was summoned, but could do nothing for him. In his pocket was found a note to a woman in Warren, whose name was not furnished to the corner. It merely said: "Good-bye; I am going."

More Than Any Other Year.

Memphis, Dec. 29.—More patients were treated at the city hospital during 1908 than any previous year.

JOKE OR SWINDLE.

Stranger Distributes "Free Scholarships" In a Texas University.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—What is either a huge Christmas joke or a swindle of considerable dimensions has come to light here. Secret agencies are trying to ascertain the whereabouts of a stranger of benevolent appearance who recently busied himself distributing "free scholarships" in a Texas musical conservatory.

Whether the stranger is a new kind of Andrew Carnegie, a harmless crank or a dangerous forger is a matter that has not as yet been cleared. Thus far one promissory note, signed under a misapprehension, has come to light, several persons have been informed that their names are signed to other notes and they know nothing about the signatures of at least twenty others are known to be in the hands of the alleged swindler.

Denied Being Night Riders.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 29.—Bob Hoffman, one of the alleged night riders, testified. He denied ever having been a night rider or having joined a band in any raids. Ray Ransom and Garrett Johnson were the two next witnesses. The latter was reputed as the leader of the riders. Both denied knowledge of night riders and detailed their movements on night of the Rankin murder. Johnson swore that night riders met at Marsh's store to prevent a raid by Lake county men. The sheriff authorized them to gather for protection. Johnson denied any one was masked or that the men gathered there are night riders. In fact he had never seen a night rider and would not know one if he saw him.

Ten Killed by Cavein.

Birmingham, Dec. 29.—Two dead bodies have been recovered and eight more are known to be buried in an immense cavein of a trench at the Blast furnaces plant at Ensley East. Several other laborers were injured as were two foremen who were superintending the work. Most of the dead were foreigners. The cavein occurred without warning.

AWFUL DEATH METHOD.

**Man Drinks Much Poison and
Agonizingly Expires.**

Dallas, Dec. 29.—A man named either J. C. Coleman or J. S. Wyatt died in agony at the St. George hotel from the effects of carbolic acid, of which he had apparently swallowed a large quantity. The room was in a terribly disorganized condition, indicating that his death throes must have been of most agonizing character.

A letter, signed "Sallie," postmarked Sedalia, Mo., and addressed to J. S. Wyatt, was found in one of the pockets of his coat. A railroad pass made out to the same name was also in his possession, while another pass in favor of J. C. Coleman was also on his person.

Deceased, who seemed to have been about forty-five years old, registered at the St. George hotel at 10 o'clock Monday night and at once went to the room assigned him. He was a man of prepossessing appearance and neatly attired.

NEW RAILROAD.

**It Is to Run From El Paso to New
Mexico Boundary.**

Austin, Dec. 29.—The charter of the El Paso and St. Louis Railroad company, capital stock \$100,000, to run from El Paso northeasterly to the boundary line in New Mexico, a distance of 100 miles, to Crow Springs, El Paso county, was submitted to the attorney general for approval.

The railroad commission, or rather a majority of the commission, has approved the Galveston causeway contract, made between Galveston county and the railroads entering Galveston. Commissioner Colquitt voted against the approval on account of a defect in the law authorizing the commission to approve the agreement.

In view of numerous letters which have been received by the department of insurance concerning the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York, Commissioner Love gave out a statement assuring the 2,000 policy holders in the state that under the present arrangement with E. E. Rittenhouse as president this concern will be able to fulfill every obligation. This company some time ago was required to discontinue writing business in Texas.

Paul Smith, for the past several years connected with Austin National bank, was appointed as one of the state bank examiners, effective Jan. 1. Increase in number of state banks is the cause for the appointment by Commissioner Love.

SURELY SUPPLIES SELF.

**Burglar Makes Extensive Haul in a
Memphis Establishment.**

Memphis, Dec. 29.—Contenting himself with 240 silk handkerchiefs and 288 pairs of link cuff buttons, a burglar entered the store of Ed Alperin and left without disturbing any other property.

The burglar had secured a key to fit the front door, making robbery an easy matter. The store is near the Cochran hotel, and pedestrians may be seen going to and fro by the store at all hours of the night.

**The Officers,
Directors,
and
Shareholders
of the
City National
Bank**

Beg to wish for all our Patrons

Friends and Acquaintances a

Merry Christmas

... AND A ...

Happy New Year!

Intentions Announced.

Fort Worth, Dec. 29.—At Texas Farmers' union headquarters it was announced that if they fail to induce general managers of railroads now meeting at Houston to reduce rates on cotton shipments that it will carry the matter to the railroad commission. They will present the commission with a petition with 200,000 signatures urging the reduction. If the commission refuses to act they will carry it to the legislature.

Generous Caruso.

New York, Dec. 29.—Enrico Caruso will contribute a week's salary to the earthquake sufferers in Italy, his native land. Caruso is said to receive \$2,500 a week at the Metropolitan Opera House.

Priest Returning.

St. Louis, Dec. 29.—Judge H. S. Pierce, who will represent H. Clay Pierce at his trial at Austin next month, will arrive from New York in a day or two, where he has been preparing the defense of the magnate. When Mr. Priest returns the announcement of the date of Pierce's start for Texas will be made. If acquitted, Mr. Pierce will visit several gulf towns of Texas.

Almost a Cloudburst.

San Marcos, Tex., Dec. 29.—A heavy storm, amounting almost to a cloudburst, swept over this section early Tuesday morning. All rivers and creeks are overflowing their banks. Over four inches of rain is reported here. Farm property suffered, but damage not excessive.

Reduction Sale of Men's \$5.00 Shoes this week

We must reduce our stock of Men's high grade Shoes before inventory, therefore we cut the price on any style, Slater & Morrill, W. L. Douglas \$5.00 shoes to

\$3.85

Pattent or Plain Leathers.

WILSON & DERDEN

Mr. E. J. Fountain
requests the honor of your presence at the sale of
his full line of

Fancy Groceries

to
His Many Customers
on Saturday morning, eight o'clock, December 12th
nineteen hundred and eight
at his store
Bryan, Texas

At The Cozy



CHAS. LAVIVIAN, WORLD'S RE-
KNOWN MAGICIAN.

The king of rope manipulators. \$100
challenge for anyone to tie him with
50 feet to 100 feet of rope so that he
cannot release himself. All performed
in full view of audience. NO CABI-
NET WORK. Latest novelty act
three to five minutes.

Spiritualistic Manifestations
Packing Case Mystery.
Legedemania.
Telepathy.
Black Art.
Hypnotism.
Illusions.

Matinee Every Day at 3 O'Clock
New Films at Each Performance.

Watch-night Service.

On Thursday night, Dec. 31st, an
old-fashioned watch-night service will
be held at the First Methodist church
of Bryan. The service will begin at
10:30 o'clock and close at 12. Every-
body cordially invited.

House Party.

Misses Malcolm McInnis, Alberta
Adams, Bessie Seale, Mai Wilson, and
Messrs. J. D. and Joe Willis, Frank
Gleaves and J. W. James comprised
a happy house party leaving here
over the I. & G. N. yesterday at noon
for a week at the plantation home of
Mr. Alf Wilson down on the Brazos
river.

An Appreciation.

To each of our customers
who have contributed their
patronage during the past
year and to whom we owe
the progress we have achiev-
ed, we extend our heartiest
greetings and proffer our best
wishes for a
**MERRY CHRISTMAS and
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.**

We anticipate that the good
will born us by our custo-
mers and friends will influ-
ence others to divert in our
direction a share of their
patronage the coming year.

EMMEL & MALONEY,
Prescription Druggists.

Phone 66.

THE WEATHER.

Special to the Bryan Morning Eagle.
New Orleans, La., Dec. 29.—Tonight
showers. Wednesday, generally
cloudy weather, with showers; colder.
Cline.

Weather Notes.

Galveston, Dec. 28.—A disturbance
of apparently feeble energy is central
over the lower Rio Grande valley
which is now causing cloudy or rainy
weather in southern and central Texas
and in middle Gulf states and Tennes-
see. There have also been thunder-
storms in scattered localities in Texas.
A second disturbance is central over
northern Montana, and precipitation
has occurred in northern boundary
states. An area of high pressure of
moderate energy is central over the
middle Plateau which is attended by
fair weather in that section, but has
not caused much change in tempera-
ture. At time of report the tempera-
ture in Texas ranged from 25 de-
grees at Amarillo to 64 degrees at
Galveston. The disturbance over the
lower Rio Grande valley will probably
move northeastward and cause rainy
weather in this vicinity, followed by
clearing and colder late tonight, with
winds becoming moderate northerly.

River Bulletin.

River Stages: In feet and tenths.
(75th Meridian time.)
Stations Flood Stage at
Brazos River— stage 8 a.m.
Kopperl 21.0 0.1
Waco 22.0 1.7
Valley Junction 40.0 5.1

River Forecast.

There will be no important change
in the Trinity, Brazos and Colorado
rivers.

B. BUNNEMEYER,
Section Director.

Reduced prices on all furniture, car-
pets, matting, until Jan. 1 James &
Nunn. 20

A NEW STORE.

Mr. N. Lobello Will Open for Business
in the Zanetti Block.

Mr. N. Lobello, so long associated
with his father in the successful con-
duct of the big store on Bryan street
has decided to engage in business on
his own account, and leased the Par-
sons building in the Zanetti block on
Main street in which he will open up
a line of groceries and general mer-
chandise.

Mr. Lobello has a large circle of
friends and acquaintances, and those
who know him best feel sure of his
success in the new undertaking.

The building which he will occupy
is now undergoing the changes and
repairs necessary to the use to
which it will be put, and Mr. Lobello
expects to be ready for business
during the first week in January.

Prayer Meeting.

The pastor of the First Methodist
church would be pleased to see a full
attendance at prayer meeting tonight.
The subject will be, "Personal Work"
and the service will begin at 7:30
o'clock.

The H. & T. C. R. R.



Texas Points

H. & T. C.

Dec. 31 to

Jan. 1.

Limit January 5.

One and One Third Fares.

No. 3446.

First National Bank

OF
Bryan, Texas.

Capital - - \$100,000
Surplus & undivided profits \$ 89,000

We Solicit your Account, and will serve
you, in all matters intrusted to us, with
Courtesy, Promptness, and Fidelity.

J. W. HOWELL, President.

GUY M. BRYAN, JR., Vice-Pres.

H. O. BOATWRIGHT, Vice-Pres.

L. L. McINNIS, Cash'r. R. W. HOWELL, Asst Cash'r.

Merry Xmas

E. J. Jenkins

The Big Grocery Sale

will continue until everything is disposed of. Hundreds of new buyers
as well as our old customers are taking advantage of this close-out sale
for cash. Remember all purchases of One Dollar and over delivered
free. Below we quote a few prices on articles that have not appeared
before. All other goods in proportion:

18 lbs. Granulated Sugar for.... \$1.00
Swift's Premium Ham per pound 14c
Swift's Premium Bacon per lb.... 20c
18-oz. Bot. Fancy Selected Queen
Olives, per bottle..... 20c
20-oz. Bottle Fancy Selected Queen
Olives per bottle..... 25c
18-oz Bot. Fancy Selected Stuffed
Olives, per bottle..... 20c
14-oz Bot. Hyman's sour mixed
pickles, per bottle..... 7 1/2c

40-oz Bot. Hyman's sour mixed
Pickles, per bottle..... 20c
64-oz Bot. Hyman's sour mixed
Pickles, per bottle..... 35c
One-half Gallon Hyman's sour
Mixed Pickles, per bottle..... 50c
40-oz Bot. Hyman's sour spiced
Lily Hot, per bottle..... 20c
40-oz Bot. Hyman's sour spiced
Chow-Chow, per bottle..... 20c
20-oz Bot. Heinz sour spiced
Mixed Pickles..... 12 1/2c

24-oz Bot. Heinz sour spiced Mixed
Pickles..... 17 1/2c
24-oz Bot. Heinz Sweet Mixed
Pickles, per bottle..... 20c
32-oz Bot. Heinz India Relish
per bottle..... 25c
14-oz Bot. Heinz Evaporated Horse
Radish..... 25c
All kinds of Bulk Pickles at greatly
reduced prices.

We have plenty of all goods previously advertised at prices quoted.
Call to see us or phone your orders. Remember these goods are all
fresh clean stock and will be sold at prices quoted.

Phone 42.

WILL S. HIGGS.

Improve Your Poultry Stock
with

S. C. Rhode Island Reds

The Reds are a cross from Cochin Chinas and Red
Cochin, Red Malay Game and Brown Leghorn. They
are quick growers, making fine broilers at from ten to
twelve weeks, and having no dark pin feathers, make
unexcelled dressed poultry. Under good conditions will
be laying at five months. Not too heavy—not too
light—the average weight of cock being 8 1-2 and that
of hen 6 1-2 pounds. As mothers and sitters they can
not be beat, docile and gentle yet full of thrift and
hustle, good foragers but easily yarded, lay large, fine
tinted eggs and lots of them. Both winter and summer
layers. During last December, January and February
my hens laid 71 eggs daily per 100 hens. My stock is
carefully selected, and comes from prize winners at
Birmingham, Ala.; Aberdeen, Miss.; Nashville, Tenn.;
Augusta, Ga.; Marshall, Dallas and Houston, Texas,
poultry shows—the best in the south in vitality, type
and color.

I have a few cockerels for sale at
\$1.50 each. Eggs for hatching, per set-
ting of 15: Prize pen, \$3.00; Special
matings, \$2.00 for 15, \$3.50 for 30.
Avoid risk of transportation and purchase
in your own county. SATISFACTION
POSITIVELY GUARANTEED. Come and
inspect my yards. Place orders early.
I hatch my own stock during January
and February each year.

T. P. JUNKIN,
College Station, Texas.

S. C. RHODE ISLAND REDS.

A few Cockrels for Sale.

Price \$1.00 Until Dec. 1st.

Delivered at my yards, or anywhere
in Bryan.

T. P. JUNKIN,
College Station, Texas.

Uptodate colleges are adding auto-
matics and aeroplanics to their cur-
ricula.

BE A REPRESENTATIVE Of The United Wireless Telegraph Co.

In your home town; employees earn-
ing \$90.00 to \$450.00 a week; you can
do the same; no capital required; ap-
ply at once. The United Wireless Tele-
graph Co., Cooper Bldg., Denver, Colo.

Entered at the Postoffice in Bryan, Texas, as second class matter.

Rates of Subscription.

One month.....\$.40
Three months..... 1.00
One year..... 4.00

Advertising rates on application.

BRYAN TEXAS, DECEMBER 30.

"Poetry" is not true poetry if it lacks the spirit of religion.

While making your New Year resolutions use none but good material and especially avoid that which is brittle.

Some enterprising promoter ought to organize a company to insure against Christmas and Fourth of July casualties.

Houston boasts vaingloriously that in the righteousness which is according to law it is a model for the other cities of the state.

We sincerely hope every white man who meets Johnson or any other negro in the ring will get the stiff knock out of him.

The aftermath of the Christmas gorge and the Christmas jag is responsible for the skim-milk flavor of several Texas newspapers.

Idleness and spendthrift habits ought to disgrace anyone who indulges in them. They ruin more boys than "the saloon in our town."

Rockefeller and Carnegie can talk more about Christian charity and brotherhood and do less substantial good than any other two men now living.

Bridal tour in an airship is the new thing now for up-to-daters. This reminds us of the old Mother Goose jingle: "High diddle, diddle," etc.

The fruit crop of Texas is all right yet. The trees are gemmed all over with buds and display extraordinary vitality. Let us all hope for cold weather enough to retard development till danger of frosts is over.

China has a prohibition problem too. The authorities have forbidden the planting of the opium poppy and the natives refuse to obey the order. Riots have broken out and more trouble is expected.

Bryan needs an increase of the dinner pail brigade. Every new manufacturing enterprise strengthens those already in existence and encourages the founding of others. Boost every small factory proposition.

The American army of occupation in Cuba is packing its traps preparatory to evacuating. It would save transportation to store the baggage in warehouses, against the time when the American soldiers will go back to stay.

Another leap year is passing into history and it is alleged that the record shows a great decrease in the number of marriages. Who is to blame? Have the ladies been laggards in making love or have the gentlemen been too coy in receiving proposals?

Jacksonville peaches, canned in Jacksonville but bearing a Baltimore label pasted over the Jacksonville label, have been sold in Jacksonville. Is it possible that Texans are so prejudiced against home products that deception must be resorted to to enable them to be sold?

The Herald boasts that Palestine is the best paved city in Texas, population considered. Oh! that we could tell the wretch that he is mistaken, that Bryan is ahead in paving as in everything else. If truth permitted we would tell the boaster this in unpoetical language, using even the shorter and uglier word. But, alas; we can't.

Notwithstanding all the pressing invitations and tempting inducements offered, Mr. Taft will make no promise to visit Texas. The best that can be gotten from him is an indefinite far-away admission that maybe sometime in the sweet bye-and-bye he will come if he has nothing else to do. Seems to us there has been enough of this toying. The prosperity and glory of Texas do not depend on Mr. Taft.

The thrifty pioneers who sowed the seeds of civilization in the great West, as a rule, selected the location for the home so that "everything would come downhill to the house." In

other words, they unconsciously recognized the law that transportation flows along the lines of least resistance. Take a point on the coast of Texas, anywhere from Galveston Bay to Corpus Christi bay and with a radius of 500 miles draw a circle—where else on earth can you find so many rivers flowing approximately toward the center? And nowhere on earth is there an equal area richer in all the products of the soil and of the mine. Nowhere else in the world can you find conditions so favorable for the building of commercial cities.

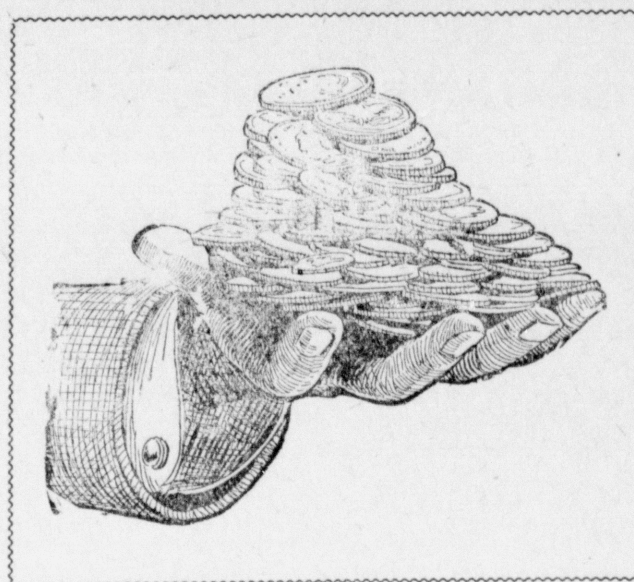
AMUSEMENTS.

Of Miss Adelaide Thurston who will appear here in "The Woman's Hour," tomorrow night. The San Antonio Express of last Saturday says in part:

Adelaide Thurston, in "The Woman's Hour," played to capacity houses yesterday matinee and night at the Grand. The play was immensely pleasing and held the audience spell-bound, unwilling to relax for applause when deserving. It was one of those enchanting productions, rebounding with new wit, and good dialogue and an unlimited amount of naturalness. Contrary to the usual run of such shows, it held the closest attention until the final drop of the curtain. Little unexpected incidents and surprising answers were continually bobbing up to make one wonder as to the final outcome.

In all the roles Miss Thurston has enacted, the part of Hester Temple "the woman" perhaps suits her better than any other. She is so alluringly charming, so daintily feminine and piquantly pretty that the audience is hers from the start. Her naturalness is her strong forte. The plotting of the play, devoid of exaggeration, aid her in this. In the midst of a strenuous love scene, when the man is demanding an answer, she rushes across to her interpreter and the whole of the pivotal speech is summed up in the most feminine of reasons, "be cause." Again, disappointed in love affairs, she finds solace in her maid's lap and, regardless of coiffure puffs and curls, she resorts to a woman's best comforter. In the last act, where woman the treacherous and woman the pure are testing swords, her acting is pronouncedly strong and in "the woman's hour," wherein every woman at some time or other has to decide a painful crisis she handles beautifully a trying situation.

INVENTORY SALE



It's inventory time again! Which do you think we prefer doing—counting hats, shoes, underwear, neckwear, shirts and other furnishing goods, or counting Money? We think you'll answer, Counting Money. Right You Are—We are going to make a supreme effort to convert into money all of our entire stock of Furnishing Goods, Hats and Shoes, that we possibly can before taking inventory, so,

FOR ONE WEEK

Commencing Thursday, Dec. 31st—ending Wednesday, January 6th we will give a clean cut of

One-Fourth Off on Everything

All new Hats, Caps, Shoes and Furnishing-Goods, as well as broken lots, come under the ban. *Nothing Reserved.* Prices are guaranteed to be bona-fide. No marked up prices or tricks. Just a plain fair and square offer to save you money. Take one-fourth off, pay us the balance and the goods are yours. Just figure "One-fourth" off and see what a saving it is. We quote only a few prices to "Show You."

Hats.

We are worse over-stocked on hats than anything else, and can please you in the season's best shapes, colors and values, both stiff and soft hats.

\$3.00 Hats at.....	\$2.25
\$2.00 Hats at.....	\$1.50
\$1.50 Hats at.....	\$1.15
\$1.00 Hats at.....	75c

Shoes and Furnishing Goods.

\$5.00 Article at.....	\$3.75
\$4.00 Article at.....	\$3.00
\$3.00 Article at.....	\$2.25
\$2.00 Article at.....	\$1.50
\$1.00 Article at.....	75c
50c Article at.....	37c

Remember—We have anything you need in Hats, Shoes, Shirts, Underwear, Neckwear, Hosiery, Raincoats, White and Fancy Vests, Overalls, Hunting Coats, Sweaters, Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Umbrellas, Suspenders, Garters, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Gloves, Collars and Cuffs, Night Robes, Pajamas, Suit-cases, Cuff-buttons, Watch Fobs, etc. All at "One-fourth off." You know the disadvantage of waiting—come early.

Hunter & Chatham

Men's Furnishers.

1909

May your ambitions be fulfilled.

Wishing you health to enjoy

every minute of the

New Year

Holidays 1908

BUCHANAN-MOORE CO.

INCORPORATED

ED HALL

Pure Food Distributor

We take the opportunity of again wishing our friends and patrons all the compliments of the season.

Your order for Groceries during the holiday season will be carefully taken care of.

A Merry Christmas

ED. HALL PHONE 22 & 114

SELLER OF "SPOTLESS FLOUR."

RAILROAD TIME CARD.

H. & T. C. Schedule.

No. 3 North bound.....1:38 p.m.
North bound.....12:46 a.m.
South bound.....3:40 p.m.
South bound.....2:48 a. m.

I. & G. N. Schedule.

No. 4 North bound.....12:58 p. m.
No. 5 South bound.....4:11 p. m.

LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Hunter & Chatham's ad. 20
Ed Hamel is visiting friends in San Marcos.

Matinee every evening at the Cozy this week only.

Mr. Henry Hudspeth left Tuesday on a trip to Cuero.

Mr. R. B. Elliott of Tabor was in the city yesterday.

Mr. A. W. Dyess was a visitor to the city yesterday.

Mrs. Josie Lawrence has returned from a trip to Navasota.

Mr. Jeff Castles left yesterday on a inspecting trip to West Texas.

Mr. J. A. D. Robinson of Wixon was a visitor to the city Tuesday.

Mr. J. S. Mooring and son, Ward, returned from a visit to Marlin.

Mr. W. S. Jones of Harvey was a business visitor to the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Risinger of Holigan Chapel were in the city Thursday.

Judge J. W. Doremus arrived yesterday from a business trip to Houston.

Mr. R. A. Harrison has returned from a visit to his parents at Brenham.

Mr. William Hudspeth of Harris Schoolhouse transacted business here Tuesday.

Miss Lula Ashford of El Paso is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Hamilton of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Roberts have returned from a visit to relatives in Navasota.

Mr. Jas. Conway of Thompson's Creek was a business visitor to the city Tuesday.

County Commissioner Arrington from Millican was a visitor to the city Tuesday.

For Rent—A nice cottage on Mosely street near Court House. Apply to Mrs. Alice Smith.

Mr. Ed Hearn returned to McKinney yesterday after a holiday visit to his mother here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Elliott have returned from a visit to Mr. Elliott's parents at Tabor.

Mrs. A. D. Locke, residing in the northern part of the city, is critically ill with pneumonia.

Mr. Dee Cook is in Waco after a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Frank Myers of this city.

FOR RENT—A nice modern residence, close in. Apply to D. Mike Jr.

Mrs. George Dunn returned to Hearne yesterday after a visit to relatives in this city.

President W. L. Edge, of the Brazos county Farmers' Union was a visitor to the city Tuesday.

Mr. T. P. Hall and son, Mr. Will Hall, of Steep Hollow, transacted business here Tuesday.

Miss Lizzie Lord returned yesterday to her home after a visit to Miss Bertha Stuart of this city.

Messrs. W. B. English, W. H. Morgan, and Solon Morgan of Reliance were in the city Tuesday.

Miss Robbie Seale of Benchley arrived yesterday afternoon and is the guest of Miss Mary McInnis.

Mrs. Henry James has returned to her home in Abilene after a visit to Mrs. C. F. Moore of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Woods have returned from a Christmas holiday spent with relatives in West Texas.

Mr. Ross Walker left for Palestine Monday night after a visit to his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walker.

Read Hunter & Chatham's ad on second page to day. "Do It Now" 20

Everything bright and new in our big stock. Spring mattresses, iron beds, etc. All at reduced prices till Jan. 1. James and Nunn.

Mr. J. W. Williams Jr., with the Gordon-Sewell Grocery company of this city, is in Rockdale on a business trip.

Mr. Frank Boss of Madisonville was in the city Tuesday and bought a nice bill of goods from Bryan's progressive dealers.

Miss Minnie Burrows returned to Austin yesterday after a holiday visit to her aunt, Miss Nannie Berryman of this city.

Mrs. J. M. Hammel left yesterday for her home in Houston, after a visit to her father, Mr. Joe Hearn of this city.

Miss Permelia Miller left Tuesday for Tola, Hood county, after a holiday visit to friends residing at Harris schoolhouse.

Mrs. J. M. Thibadeaux left for Fort Worth yesterday after a holiday visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morgan of Reliance.

FOR SALE—Until Jan. 1, 1909. I am offering two 5-room houses with hall for \$1,300. Just to meet my obligations. Good tenants in both. See W. A. Dodson.

Mrs. J. W. Fairley and Mrs. Joe Plu to left Monday for Hamilton where they will remain some time in the interest of Mrs. Fairley's health.

Judge V. B. Hudson, accompanied by his wife, left Monday night for Marlin, where he is testing the virtue of the hot water as a cure for rheumatism.

Miss Geraldine Kelly left Tuesday afternoon for Cleveland where she is instructing classes in music. Miss Kelly visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Kelly at their home in Wixon during the Christmas vacation.

A large assortment of rockers, lounges and couches. In fact, a full and complete stock of the newest styles, and finish in furniture, all at reduced prices until Jan. 1. James & Nunn.

Mr. S. P. Dunlap, relief operator for the I. & G. N., left yesterday for Italy. During the past week or more Mr. Dunlap has held down the third trick here for Mr. A. E. Duncan, who has just returned from a visit to his parents at Ranger.

Mr. J. Harris, a well-known citizen of the Harris Schoolhouse community, was loading his effects on cars here Tuesday for shipment to Graham, Young county, where he with his family will in future reside. Young county is a big winner from Brazos in this deal.

The Union Hi'll K. of H. Minstrels, twenty-four strong, left on the 2:48 train this morning for Montgomery, Conroe, and Cleveland to give performances under guarantee for each performance. They carry their own band and orchestra.

NOTICE TAXPAYERS.

January is the last month in which taxes may be paid without penalty. For that reason, principally, and also to facilitate the work of this office, I would request that you pay your taxes as early as possible. Respectfully,
JNO. B. HINES,
City Secretary.

W. C. FOUNTAIN
DENTIST.
Office upstairs over Smith Drug Co.

A SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

Some of the Advantages Resulting to Bryan.

(Prepared Especially for The Bryan Morning Eagle.)

The subject of a sewerage system for Bryan has been very generally discussed, though specifically the good results to accrue have been but lightly touched. Just at this time, when it seems to be the unanimous sentiment of the foremost interests of the city to have the city own its own waterworks and install a sewerage system, a few words on the subject may be timely.

First in the order of positive advantages is the increased healthfulness of the city, which will follow the introduction of a modern sewerage system. The object of a sewer is to carry all wastes from closets, bathtubs, sinks, and other fixtures in the stores and homes entirely away before they have time to injure health by decay or cause offense by the gases given off during decomposition.

Careful investigations by sanitary experts have shown beyond question that matter allowed to decay in close proximity to human habitation not only causes specific diseases, but also a general lowering of the standard of health. Flies are carriers of disease germs. Flies love filth. Remove the filth. With an efficient system of sewers in connection with sewage purification plant, all such dangerous matter is effectually removed and converted into harmless compounds which are not unhealthful and which will not decay and give off noxious odors.

The advantage next in order to increased healthfulness is that of convenience and cleanliness. All fixtures such as bath tubs, closets, sinks, etc., can be placed in the dwelling or store. The water, which forms practically all of the sewage, comes from the bath tubs, closets, etc., as they are used.

This water flushes all of the house plumbing, and by its flow, increased by that from other houses, carries all waste through the sewers to the treatment plant. In addition to the flush given by the water from dwellings and stores, at the upper ends of the sewers flush tanks are constructed each holding about 500 gallons of water. These discharge automatically once in 24 hours, and wash away any deposit which may have collected in the sewers. Thus all necessity for cleaning closets or cesspools is removed and no waste water of any kind need be allowed near homes or in the streets.

A distinct advantage which will follow the installation of a sewerage

system is that of living in a town which "has sewers." The installation of such a positive public improvement by Bryan, following out carefully prepared plans so drawn as to ultimately include all portions of the town, where a sewer system is likely to ever be needed.

At the Cozy.

A large number witnessed the performance at the Cozy last night. The number was even larger than patronized this popular place on the night preceding, which is indisputable evidence that Manager Avey is pleasing his patrons.

The mystifying work of Foster & Lavivian was well received, the films were interesting and the pictures plainly shown, and altogether the patrons feel that Mr. Cavitt and his manager, Mr. Avey are giving good value for the price of admission.

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kind **39c**

With Christmas Day passed and the festivities of the season drawing to a close, we are placing on sale at specially reduced prices all our holiday goods. These are staples and merchandise of value and you should profit by this sale. We have several lots of seasonable goods we wish to dispose of in order to lighten the burden of stock-taking. You will find bargains on our counters of real value, and the prices slaughtered almost in half on some goods. It will be to your benefit to call at our store and make your selection for specials in anything in Ladies' Ready-to-Wear, also Remnants in Dress Goods, Hosiery for both ladies and gentlemen, also neckwear and suspenders.

ON THE
CORNER

EUGENE EDGE

ON THE
CORNER

REMNANTS

There are several lots of short lengths in this section of the store, made from our staple goods department, the results of last week's busy shopping calicoes, suitings, etc. These are in all colors and of different patterns; the lengths run from 1 1-2 yards up to 15 yards in a piece. These are to be marked in plain figures and placed on the Bargain tables for the wise shoppers.

MILLINERY

We have about 25 trimmed hats that go at one-half the regular price. See them.

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Disaster One of the Most Dreadful In Italy's History, a Journal at Rome Estimating Total Casualties at Between Sixty Thousand and Seventy Thousand—Looting Prevails and the Scenes Are Terrifying—Pope and King Make Liberal Donations.

Rome, Dec. 29.—The disaster in the province of Calabria and island of Sicily have assumed staggering proportions, each successive report received from the stricken region makes it more apparent that stories of widespread destruction are little, if any, exaggerated. Messina alone reports 12,000 victims, but it is feared this is only a partial list of the dead and wounded. Reports coming in from other towns are giving estimates of the dead therein from 500 up to several thousand.

Reggio still remains in tragic isolation. It is impossible to get word from the stricken city and silence gives rise to the most fearful apprehension. News has come from Messina, eight miles north of Reggio, but no reliable estimate of the dead there has been made.

Vandalism of the worst kind has broken out and the government has adopted the most energetic and most severe measures for its repression. Robbers and looters are shot on sight.

The prison at Messina collapsed. Some of the prisoners were killed, but the survivors made their escape and joined the hoodlums, who are sacking the city. Such confusion reigns that the robbers meet with no resistance. The local chief of police lies dead in the ruins of his office. The barracks at Messina are demolished. The commander of the troops was killed outright and there are many victims among the enlisted men.

Robbers pillaged the ruins, shattered buildings and even stole clothing and valuables from corpses. They were not terrified by the flames that broke out in several sections of the city, but took advantage of the light for their vandalism. The night at Messina was one of horror indescribable—fire, robbery, death and dying on every side. The city is in the utmost confusion and people are panic stricken.

Toward morning several of the worst fires had been extinguished. Looting is under partial control and comparative order has been established. Everything possible is being done to succor the wounded, but relief measures are still utterly inadequate owing to the immensity of the disaster.

The finest palaces, churches and theaters in Messina are heaps of ruins. Countless dead bodies are scattered through the wreckage and decomposition will doubtless bring pestilence to add to the horrors of the situation.

The devastation over the entire district is more or less complete. No part of the province of Reggio de Calabria escaped.

The Tribune estimates the total casualties in Calabria and Sicily at between 60,000 and 70,000.

The refugees from Messina say there were 100 foreigners in the Hotel Trinacria, and they all lost their lives. The hotel has been completely obliterated. It was one of the best in the city and patronized almost exclusively by tourists. It is situated in Via Garibaldi.

Queen Helena refused to allow her husband, the king, to go alone to the scene of the disaster. She said she would not give up her privilege of sharing her husband's dangers and consequently both king and queen left Rome for the south.

It is announced here that the pope would inaugurate the establishment of an international committee of Roman Catholics the world over to assist the survivors of the catastrophe. The pope heads the subscription list with 1,000,000 lire (\$200,000). It is understood King Victor Emmanuel will give 2,000,000 lire for the same purpose.

The pope has been notified that the entire religious communities of Messina and Reggio, including bishops, priests, monks and nuns, have been wiped out by earthquake and fire.

At Cassano and Corenza, both in Calabria province, there are 1,000 dead, while the wounded number 500.

Practically Destroyed.

Rome, Dec. 29.—The two of Palmi has been practically destroyed, as has also Bannara. The dead at Palmi number 1,000 and it is impossible to estimate the number of injured.

Large numbers were killed also at Bagnara and the list of wounded will also be heavy.

A tidal wave inundated the village of San Giovanni, 2,500 feet back from the shore line.

Palmi contains 10,000 inhabitants, while Bagnara counts 7,500 people.

Tens of Thousands.

Rome, Dec. 29.—Premier Gioiotti received a telegram from Deputy Felice at Messina confirming the previous reports of the complete destruction of Messina by fire following the earthquake. The deputy says the dead at Messina can be counted by the tens of thousands.

Steel Plant Resumes.

Ensley, Ala., Dec. 29.—After a shut down for the holidays, the big steel plant of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company has resumed, giving employment to more than 1,000 men. Heads of departments said there will be steady operation of the plant for many months.

The Bond Issue.

To the Eagle man Mayor Maloney stated that he will call a meeting of the Bryan city council within a few days to arrange for carrying out the instructions of the mass meeting held in Carnegie hall Monday afternoon, and obtain from the taxpayers permission for the bond issue to carry out the wishes of the people.

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A chance to buy what you will need in hats, shoes and furnishing goods for the winter and early spring at a great saving in price. Hunter & Chatham offer this opportunity on their entire stock from Thursday morning Dec. 30th to Wednesday evening January 6th, 1909. Read their advertisement on page 2 of this issue.

"That Other Democrat."

Just after the annual conference session which sent Rev. T. H. Morris to Bryan, the following conversation occurred in Tyler:

"And Brother Morris was sent to Bailey?"

"No, not to Bailey, but to that other democrat, Bryan."

Brings Along Commissions.

San Antonio, Dec. 29.—Judge Edward Dwyer of the Thirty-seventh district court has returned from Austin, where he conferred with the governor regarding the recent difficulty over the liquor laws. Judge Dwyer brought with him the commissions for Bexar county officials, which the governor had held up. Governor Campbell issued the commissions upon the report of Judge Dwyer that the Baskin-McGregor law will hereafter be enforced. Sheriff Lindsey also called on the governor.

Move Over the Line.

Louisville, Dec. 29.—Advices by telephone from Danville, Ky., state that Berry Simpson, Rube West and George Stanley, mountaineers engaged in the difficulty at Steaffins, Ky., broke camp at Paint Rock, Ky., and moved over the line into Scott county, Tennessee. They encamped near West's old home. They are surrounded by friends and relatives and their position is reported more formidable than ever.

Ascribed to Negroes.

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 29.—Investigation is being made of the burning of the center of the town of Taft a week ago. Six stores owned by whites were burned. The theory is that negroes of the place started the fires to get rid of the whites. The town is in this county and occupied almost solidly by blacks.

General Hemphill Dies.

Abbeville, S. C., Dec. 29.—General Robert Reed Hemphill, editor of the Abbeville Medium, and brother of Colonel J. C. Hemphill, editor of the Charleston News and Courier died at his home at Abbeville.

Houses Shaken Several Miles.

Enid, Okla., Dec. 29.—A tank containing four cars of oil for the Enid electric and gas plant exploded, shaking houses for several miles so terrific was the force. Chester Decker and Pearl Jones were probably fatally burned. Decker lowered a lantern into the tank, the explosion following.

Hurled to His Death.

Mexia, Tex., Dec. 29.—H. A. Graham was thrown from his carriage. He received injuries which caused his death an hour later. He was aged sixty and well known. His team became frightened by an engine whistle. Mr. Graham suffered a bad fracture of the skull.

Contract Let.

Stamford, Tex., Dec. 29.—The contract was let to J. L. McSpadden of Fort Worth to build the first section of the Stamford and Northwestern railroad. The road will be 125 miles long.

Consoling.

Mrs. X.—I must apologize, Mrs. Y., for failing to come to your party Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Y.—Oh, my dear, don't speak of it! You were not missed.—Pathfinder.

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